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FURNACE-WORK PRODUCTION OF AN EXTRUDED STRING RIM PORTION ON

AN OBJECT AND ARTICLE

COMPRISING SUCH AN OBJECT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

TECEIVEE ADR 0 5 2002 Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37°C hereby invite the Examiner's attention to the reference listed on the enclosed revised Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is provided herewith. The reference was cited in the specification and in the International Search Report received in the related PCT application PCT/FR99/02010. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the reference and make it of record in the present application by completing and returning the enclosed revised Form PTO-1449.

As this statement is being submitted before the first Office Action, no fee is believed to be due. Should any fees be required, however, please charge such fees to Pennie & Edmonds Deposit Account No. 16-1150.

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